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SILICA AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**Prior to calculating the filing fee**, please amend the above-identified application as follows: